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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled -DIAGNOSIS OF SPONGIFORM OR DE-MYELINATING DISEASE. The specification was filed in the U.S. Patent Office on September 18, 2000 under Serial No. 09/656,579 by way of entry into the national phase of Chapter II of International Application Number PCT/GB99/00876 filed March 19, 1999, which in turn claims priority from British Patent Application Number GB 9805913.2 filed March 19, 1998. This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application serial number 09/269,607 filed July 26, 1999. U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/269,607 is a national phase of Chapter II of International Patent Application Number PCT/GB97/02267 filed September 29, 1997, which claims priority from British Patent Application Number GB 9620195.9 filed September 27, 1996.

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